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SUBJECT: East German Topographic Mapping

1. Attached is DA Intelligence Report ER-3-59, "Surveying, Mapping, and Geodetic Data, Ghana". Although the report is dated 7 January 1959, it has just been received by this office.

2. We are not sure but believe this report to be a product of Army exploitation of a number of East German surveyors who defected to the West in the Fall of 1958. (Frankfurter Allgemeine, 13 December 1958, carries a report that eleven workers of Vermessungsdirektorat-Ost in Dresden had fled to the West within one month.) The matter was the subject of conversations between Headquarters, [redacted] 25X1A6a and [redacted]. We were notified that the Army would han[illegible] the exploitation. 25X1A6a

3. Have D/OI and D/OS seen any other Army reports of interrogations of Vermessungsdirektorat-Ost employees? If no other reports have appeared, or if the attached report is a representative sample, would either the Cartography or Geography Division desire to attempt further exploitation? It may be possible to locate the sources, because they are probably registered with the German Federal Republic as refugees.

Attachment:
Army Intelligence Report, ER-3-59, dated 7 Jan 59, OSRD, 1 Copy.

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